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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Support for the Amendment begins on page 6 of this paper.

Request for Reconsideration begins on page 7 of this paper.

A Replacement Abstract appears at the end of this paper.